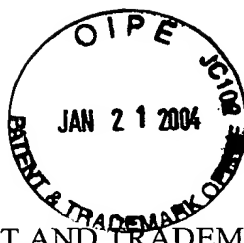


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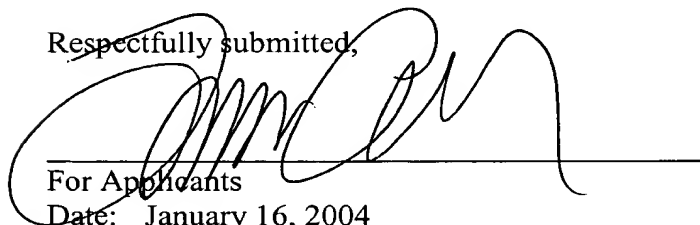
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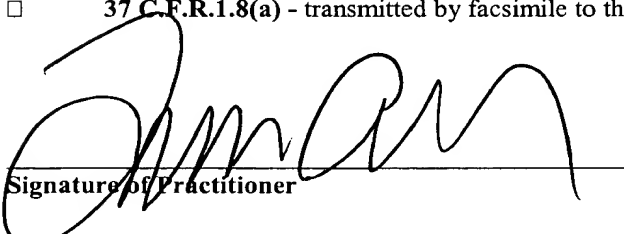
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1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above-identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
- i. ☒ Prior to abandonment of the application
 - ii. ☐ Payment of the issue fee
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 - ☐ Issue fee has been paid but a petition under § 1.313 has been granted
 - iii. ☒ Prior to a decision on appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences
 - ☒ A notice is being separately sent to the Board of Patent Appeals & Interferences that this Request for Continued Examination is being filed.
 - iv. ☐ Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. 145; or
 - ☐ Commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. 146
 - ☐ Prior to the filing of such appeal or commencement of civil action
 - ☐ Such appeal or commencement of civil action has been terminated

SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

3. a) Previously submitted
- ☒ Consider the Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2003, and the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 simultaneously submitted herewith.
(Any unentered amendments referred to above will be entered)
 - ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously submitted on
 - ☐ Other
- b) Enclosed herewith is:
- ☐ An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. §1.98)
 - ☐ Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)
 - ☐ An amendment
 - ☐ New arguments
 - ☐ New evidence in support of patentability
 - ☒ Other: A Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e))

4. This application is on behalf of:
☒ Large entity \$770.00

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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- (c) ☒ No additional fee is required.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.

- (a) No extension of time is necessary.

TOTAL FEE DUE

7. The total fee due is:
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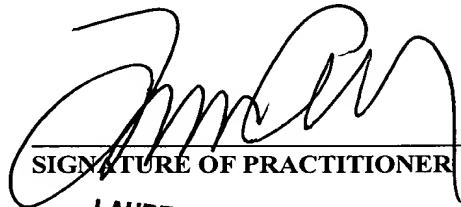
INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors:
- the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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